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1. A school for political commissars has reportedly been in operation in the village of Laimos (in the Prespa region) since December 1948.
2. Training is given in this school in methods of recruiting propaganda, espionage, and sabotage. Students are specially trained in the abduction or "dehilitation" of army scouts, observation posts, and patrols; they are also taught to use the bazooka and how to blow up buildings.
3. After three months of training, these embryo commissars are graduated and sent to the cities from which they had originally come, where they are to practice the arts in which they were trained.
4. The first class reportedly graduated between 150 and 200 students.
5. In the same village there is said to be a school for guerrilla officers. The fifth class, including 600-700 students, graduated at the beginning of February 1949. They were allegedly trained in sabotage, in neutralizing mine fields and in destroying barbed wire entanglements.

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